- 2. What is the object of preaching the gospel? Mark 16:15-16.
- 3. Upon what authority were they sent to preach? Matt. 28:18; John 20:21.
- 4. After the gospel is preached, what is the sinner's obligation? Rom. 10:13; Acts 2:37-38.
- 5. What are the necessary steps to bring the gospel to sinner's Rom. 10:14-15.

 Note. Hearing and believing are two primary elements in salvation. Upon these the "calling on Him" is based, which is a third element. But these three are still contingent on the sending and preaching. One who is filled with God's love for souls may devote some time in his vicinity to bring them to Christ. But when stakes are strengthened and the cards are lengthened then sending of messengers becomes necessary.
- 6. What authority did Paul ask about those who go into various services for God? 1 Cor. 9:7.
- 7. What authority did Paul cite for this? Verses 8, 9.
- 8. For whose sake did he say this was written? Verse 10.
- 9. What are further statements of Paul concerning this subject? Verse 11-17.
- Where should we bring our tithes and offering for the support of the ministry? Mal. 3:10.

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- the sick and raising the dead.
- What testimony did our Saviour give for the work and character of John?
 Matthew 11:7-11.
- 3. What rash vow did king make at his birthday banquet? Matthew 14:6, 7.
- How did Herod keep his promise? 4. Matthew 14:8-11. Note. This ordeal was permitted to come upon John for the sake of thousands the Saviour knew were to come to their end as martyrs, but not forsaken of God. As John, whose faithfulness the Saviour Himself had bore witness, had suffered an untimely death, so were many to follow and drink the same cup. They were also to languish in lonely prison cells, who "would love not their lives unto death" Revelation 12:11; Matthew 24:8, 9. Heaven was moved at Steven's death.
- What was the effect upon Herod of the Miracles of our Saviour? Matthew 14:1,
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Acts 7:56.

Note. This shows that the sin of Herod was tormenting him and he was seeking relief of his guilty conscience. He thought that John has been raised from the dead and sent forth now with greater power. There is no torture keener than the sting of guilty conscience.

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"Pray for the peace of Jerusalem: they shall prosper that love thee." Psalms 122:6

- 6. In preaching at Nazareth, what prophesy did the Saviour apply to Himself? Luke 4:17-21; Isaiah 61:1, 2.
 - Note. By comparing Isaiah 61:2 with Luke 4:19 we see that He only read half of Verse 2 in Isaiah and then closed the book (Luke 4:20, 21), and told the people that this prophecy was then fulfilled in their ears. He could not have said this if he had read the entire verse because the last part has not yet met its fulfillment. This shows us the length of time that is often covered by just one verse and of the importance to "rightly divide the scriptures". The same applies to Isaiah 2:3, 4. The 2nd verse where "The last days" are mentioned applies to this age, while Verse 4 pertains to the Kingdom age.
- 7. What did the Saviour tell the people that revealed His knowledge of conditions in their land? Luke 4:22-27.
- How did He escape from their threatened violence? Verses 28-30, Compare Psalms 34:7
- 9. After His rejection in Nazareth, to what city did He go? Luke 4:31-35, and Matthew 4:13-15.
- How was He first received at Capernaum, and what of His fame? Luke 4:36-37.
- 11. Whose house did He enter when leaving

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Lesson for October 2, 2021 ISAIAH, THE GOSPEL PROPHET

Note. Isaiah prophesied in the days of Uzziah, Jotham,Ahaz and Hezekiah, around about 758 to 698 B.C. His prophecies of Christ are most amazing. Given seven centuries before Christ, their accuracy of fulfillment is an outstanding testimony to the divine inspiration of the Bible.

Scripture reading: Isaiah 55. Memory verse: Isa 66:20.

- 1. In Isaiah chapter 1-8, the prophet relates a wonderful experience. Do you see anything in it that could be an example to us in this age?
- 2. Did Isaiah foretell the birth of Christ? Isa 9:6, 7: 11:1-5.
- 3. Why didn't the people recognize Jesus as the Christ through a knowledge of these prophecies and others? Isa. 6:9-12
- 4. Is Isaiah 53:1-3 in any way connected with this thought?

 Note. Isaiah 53 is the outstanding prophecy of Christ. It briefly but beautifully sums up His mission as our Saviour, foretelling His rejection of men and His suffering in bearing our sins. A study of this one chapter should convince the most doubtful agnostic.
- 5. Discuss Isaiah 53:10-12
- 6. How was verse 8 of Isaiah 53 fulfilled specifically?

preach; still He has something for each member of the body to do, in order to be a profitable servant. The apostle Paul told the Corinthians brethren (sisters included) to be always abounding in the work of the Lord-1 Cor. 15:58

- 11. How may each have part in spreading the gospel even if he himself is unable to go?2 Cor 9:1-7
- 12. How is it ordained for sinners to here the gospel? Rom 10:14,15
- 13. Is a minister expected to go on his own charge altogether, or may he expect help while working in the vineyard of the Lord. I Cor 9:7-11; Rom 15:27
- What plan did God provide that his ministers may be provided for? 1Cor. 9:13-14. Num. 18:21
- 15. When Paul won sinners to Christ, did he take the glory to himself or did he credit it to those who supported him? Phil. 4:14-17

Lesson for December 4, 2021 WORSHIPPING GOD WITH OUR INCOME

Scripture reading: Romans 10. Memory verse: Romans 10:15.

 What commission did Jesus give His disciples after resurrection? Matt 28:19-20.

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21:27.

- What simple comparison did our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ use? Luke 21:29-31.
- Will the generation witnessing the returning of the Jews etc. pass away? Luke 21:29-32.
- 7. What warning characteristic of this time is given? Luke 21:34.
- 8. What shall we do in order to escape this pending destruction? Luke 21:36.
- 9. What solemn responsibility rests upon those who understand? Ezekiel 3:6, 7.
- 10. What about increase of knowledge and travel before the end? Daniel 12:4.
- 11. What work is assigned to the wise? Daniel 12:3.
- 12. Will this special class of the wise understand the prophecy concerning the "time of the end" and will many (both Jew and Gentile) be turned from sin unto righteousness? Daniel 12:10.
 Note. The angel Gabriel also informed the prophet Daniel that the people whose

the prophet Daniel that the people whose sins were forgiven and had been made, white would be tried. We are now in that testing time of trial, when only the presence of the power of the Holy Spirit through prayer will assure the victory.

14. Of whom are we to learn how to work with success? Matthew 11:29,30.

Lesson for November 27, 2021
SENDING FORTH THE TRUTH
LIGHT

Scripture Reading Matt: 25:1-30 Memory Verse: 1 Cor. 15:58

- 1. To what work did Jesus call some men? Matt. 4:17-22
- 2. What did he say about the harvest and the laborers? Matt. 9:36-38.
- 3. When will the end come? Matt 24:14
- 4. What special command did He give us? Matt 28:18-20
- 5. How urgent is the work of the Lord? Luke 14:23
- 6. What must a person do to in order to be a worker for Christ Jesus? Matt 16:24
- 7. What promise is held out for serious workers? Psalms 126:5, 6
- 8. How important is it that we answer the gospel call? Eze. 33:7-19
- 9. May we make our choice whether or not we will preach the gospel? 1 Cor. 9:16
- 10. What arrangement did God make so all will have a part in bringing the gospel to unsaved? Matt. 14: 30

Note. God calls certain ones to spend all their time in His vineyard, but not all can

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- 14. How did Noah show his appreciation to God, for His mercy? Gen. 8:18-21.
- 15. What covenant did God establish with Noah? Gen. 7:21, 22; 9:8-16.

Lesson for December 25, 2021

FINAL EVENTS AND CHRISTIAN RESPONSIBILITY

Scripture Reading: Luke 21. Memory Verse: Daniel 12:10.

- 1. How long was Jerusalem to be trodden down by the Gentiles with the Jews scattered all over the world? Luke 21:24.
- 2. At the end of this period, of what is known as Gentile times, what is said of the conditions all over the world? Luke 21:25.
 - Note. This prophecy was fulfilled to the very letter. Jerusalem was captured by the Romans 70 A.D., the temple destroyed, and the city became heaps of rubble and ruin. The Jews were scattered all over the world, and remained so for nearly 2000 years. Now they have their nation, Israel, and are returning by the hundreds of thousands.
- 3. What is said of this time in respect to men's hearts filled with fear? Luke 21:26.
- 4. What great event is next in order? Luke

the Synagogue, and what was the result? Verse 38, 39; Matthew 8:14.

Note. We find from this text that Simon's wife is referred to. Since this Simon was Simon Peter, we learn from the text that he had a wife. Although the Catholics claim him to have been their first pope or leader, yet they do not permit their priests to marry. This is a good text to use in showing them the error of this unscriptural practice.

- 12. What other miracle was also done at Capernaum? Matthew 8:5-10 and verse 13.
- 13. What prophecy was given concerning the future of the great city of Capernaum? Matthew 11:23. Note. We have visited the old site of Capernaum many times and there is absolutely nothing left of the city except a portion of old synagogue in which our Saviour preached so often and where miracles were wrought. It was told to us that three different priests have tried to rebuild the Synagogue, and each time the one undertaking it was mysteriously stricken and died. We saw evidence of this last attempt to rebuild it, in the reconstruction of one wall. There is not one prophecy that our Saviour gave but what has been most wonderfully fulfilled in every detail concerning this country

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Note. — According to Rabbinical tradition. Isaiah was cut in half in the trunk of a tree at the age of 90 years, by the command of Manasseh. It is believed by some that Hebrews 11:37 refers to his death.

Lesson for October 9, 2021 THE GOSPEL OF THE KINGDOM

Scripture Reading: Matthew 9:35-38. Memory Verse: Matthew 9:35.

- 1. What example does the Messiah give us concerning the Gospel? Matthew 9:35; see also Mark 1:14.
- 2. What were the signs the Savior gave to John to show that He was the Christ? Luke 7:22.
- 3. What commandment did Christ give to those that follow Him? Mark 16:15.
- 4. What ministry did the Apostle receive from the Savior? Acts 20:20-24.
- 5. Are we sent out to preach the Gospel? Romans 10:15.
- 6. How important is it to preach the Gospel? 1 Corinthians 9:16.
- 7. To whom should the Gospel be preached, and by what power do we preach it? Romans 1:16.
- 8. What Gospel must be preached first before Christ returns? Matthew 24:14, see also Mark 13:10.

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and the events were to take place in the

Lesson for October 30, 2021 STEPHEN, THE FIRST CHRISTIAN MARTYR

Scripture Reading: Acts 7:51-60. Memory Verse: Acts 7:60.

- 1. Where do we first read about Stephen and how is he recommended? Acts 6:5.

 Note. The story of Stephen is short, but it always has been an inspiration. The first martyr for Christ, his testimony and his death have brought many to the Saviour.
- 2. For what ministry were Stephen and his six fellow workers set apart? Was Stephen's work limited to only that special task for which he was chosen? Acts 6:6-8.
- 3. What was the result of his zeal? Acts 6:9-14.
- 4. How did he appear in the council? Acts 6:15.
- 5. Note his defense, Acts 7:1-53. Time in the class period may not permit the reading of all this text. However, two important points are found in Acts 7:37, 51-53.
- 6. What was the reaction to this discourse?

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9. What are we told will happen to any man that would preach another Gospel? Galatians 1:9.

Note. What a blessing it is to be a minister of the Gospel. The Bible tells us that the Father desires all His children to know Him, therefore He has commissioned us to preach the Gospel of the Kingdom to every nation, and to all people. Let us carry this truth with unwavering faith, and let us be ready at all times to serve Him.

Lesson for October 16, 2021
CHRISTTHE GREATTEACHER

Scripture reading: Matthew 5:1-16 Memory verse: Matthew 7:29.

- 1. What report did the officers bring who were sent out by the chief priests and Pharisees to take Jesus? John 7:45-47.
- 2. How did Jesus teach people? Matthew 7:29.
- 3. Why were the teachings of Christ so impressive? Luke 4:32-36.
- 4. What prophecy foretold how Jesus would teach? Psalms 78:2.
- 5. How was this fulfilled? Matthew 13:34, 35.
- 6. What was about Christ's teachings that astonished the people of Nazareth?

- work? Matthew 20:6.
- 3. What does He command such to do? Matthew 20:7.
- 4. What will be done to those who refuse to honor God by bringing forth fruit in His vineyard? John 15:2.
- 5. In what way does the Lord exhort those who see no work to be done? John 4:35, 36.
- 6. What did the Lord say of the harvest and the laborers? Matthew 9:37.
- What does the Lord say to those who are already engaged in the work of the Lord? Matthew 9:38.
- 8. How much is saved if our work results in the turning of one sinner from the error of his way? James 5:20.
- 9. How valuable is one soul? 1 Corinthians 3:9.10.
- Is the salvation of one soul enough to cause the angels of heaven to rejoice? Luke 15:10.
- 11. What does Paul say of the laborer? 1 Corinthians 3:9,10.
- What assurance is given to all who are co-laborers with the Lord? 1 Corinthians 15:58.
- What prayer should we make in order to succeed in this Great work? Psalms 51:9-13.

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- 6. With what was the earth filled? Gen. 6:11-13.
- 7. Who alone was faithful to God during this violent age? Gen 6:8.
- 8. How did Jesus compare the last days to the days of Noah before the flood? Luke 17:26, 27.

Note. — According to police records, crimes are increasing at an alarming rate. Even though police forces are being in-creased they are unable to cope with the growing number of murders, rapes, thefts and other crimes. The governments are building more jails, and correctional institutions, but yet there is overcrowding. All this is in accord with what the Bible tells us will come to pass in the last days.

- What plan did God have for Noah so that he and his family could be spared? Gen. 6:13-21.
- 10. Was there a distinction made between the clean and un-clean animals that went into the ark? Gen. 7:2.
- 11. Is it prophesied that all who eat the unclean animals will be judged? Isa. 66:15-17; 65:2, 3-5.
- 12. After Noah and his family, along with all the selected animals, were in the ark, how was the door closed? Gen. 7:13-16.
- 13. How complete was the destruction? Gen. 7:19-24.

- success without the help of the Lord Jesus Christ? John 15:5.
- 5. May any Christian be a worker in the vineyard of the Lord? Luke 9:49, 50.
- 6. In what condition must the servant of the Lord be? 2 Timothy 2:22-25.
- 7. What did Paul say he feared he would find among the Corinthian brethren? 2 Corinthians 12:20.
- 8. What is James instruction to the Christians? James 2:17, 18.
- 9. What instruction did Paul give? And what example should we set before them? 1Timothy 4:12-16.
- 10. What did Peter say we should do? 1 Peter 3:15.
- 11. How may we glorify our Heavenly Father? John 15:8.
- 12. What does the Lord say to those who see no work to be done? John 4:35, 36.

Lesson for November 20, 2021

LABORERS TOGETHER WITH CHRIST JESUS

Scripture Reading: Matthew 25:14-30. Memory Verse: Matthew 25:30.

- 1. For what purpose are we all created and made new creatures? Ephesians 2:10.
- 2. What question does the Lord ask those who are not engaged in some way in His

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- 7. To what is the glory of our reward compared? Daniel 12:3.
- 8. Does our Saviour promise to share even His own joy with his faithful laborers? Matt. 25:19, 21.

Note. "The Son of man came not to be ministered unto, BUT to minister." Matt. 20:28. It was not for himself that he lived, thought labored and died. He is our example, and we are to live and to walk as he lived and walked. Our purpose and object in this short life will be to follow him, and to live for the same work.

Lesson for December 18, 2021 THE JUDGEMENT OF GOD IN THE TIME OF NOAH

Scripture reading: 1 Peter 3:12-22. Memory verse: Gen. 6:8.

- 1. What sin is specifically mentioned in Gen. 6:1, 2?
- 2. To show His displeasure with the sinful people, what sad announcement did the Lord utter? Gen. 6:3.
- 3. How completely were the people involved in sinful liv-ing? Gen. 6:5.
- 4. How did God feel towards His creation? Gen. 6:6.
- 5. What did God decide to do with this sinful people? Gen. 6:7.

Acts 7:54,

7. How did Stephen respond to this attitude? What was the outcome? Acts 7:55-60.

Note. Although it is needless to call to your attention the similarity between Christ's and Stephen's death, it is worthy of mention. Both trials were farces, both were falsely accused, and both died praying for their murderers. Saul, later known as Paul, entered the picture at this point. (Acts 22:20) Do you think this experience influenced his conversion? Do you think Christ would have chosen Paul had not this experience softened his heart?

Lesson for November 6, 2021
THE TWO CLASSES OF SERVANTS

Scriptural Reading: Matthew 25:14-46. Memory Verse: Matthew 25:30.

- Where was the Saviour when He spoke the words found in Matthew 25?
 Matthew 24:3.
- How long was this before the Passover when He was crucified? Matthew 26:1,
- As He was about to leave this world, to what did He compare Himself?
 Matthew 25:14.
- 4. The Saviour had no earthly possessions

Matthew 13:54, 55.

- 7. Did a certain class of people enjoy this kind of teaching? Matthew 13:57.
- 8. What did Isaiah say about Christ's attitude toward The Law of God? Isaiah 42:21
- 9. Did Christ do as was prophesied? Matthew 5:17-20.

Note. The religious people in Christ's time believed in keeping the letter of The Law — the outward deeds that showed. However, Christ requires purification to be reborn in The Spirit. In Matthew 3:15 we are told that Christ fulfilled all righteousness. And so it is also with The Law. He did not do away with righteousness or destroy or end righteousness — (or The Law). He made "The Way" for everyone of earth's children to be fulfilled in righteousness — His Righteousness; His Grace; His Glory within our hearts. Only then do we have victory over the curse of sin and death —— transgression of The Law. We are no longer under the penalty of breaking The Law; of carnality; or sold under sin; — but are freed from death, (the wages of sin, Romans 6:23) — freed through Calvary and even our very nature has been

10. Did Christ magnify The Law of His

- only a tender loving compassion for the lost and suffering, and the Spirit of power to save. What distribution of these did He make to His disciples and servants? Matthew 25:14, last part.
- 5. Did all servants receive the same, or was there a difference in the distribution of His possessions? Matthew 25:15.
 Note. Every servant and disciple is given some work to do and also a share of what the loving Saviour possessed. This same Spirit gives each one a certain compassion and interest in the same work in which the Master was engaged.
- 6. What did those do who had received a greater portion of what the Master possessed? Mathew 25:16, 17.
- 7. What did the servant do who did not receive as great a portion? Matthew 25:18.
- 8. Was it only a short time before the Master was to return, and reckon with His servants? Matthew 25:19.
- 9. How long was He to remain in heaven? Acts 3:20, 21.
- 10. Did the servants receiving the greater number of talents make good use of them and gain others besides? Matthew 25:20, 22.
- 11. Was the reward the same, or different, to the one receiving the five talents, from the one receiving only two? Matthew

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Father? Matthew 5:21, 22, 27, 28.

11. What lesson was Christ setting before the people? Matthew 5:8.

Note. Jesus here taught the people, that since His coming, impure thoughts are as much a violation of The Law of God as evil actions were a violation during the old dispensation.

- 12. By whose authority did Christ speak? John 12:49, 50.

Lesson for October 23, 2021

THE MINISTRY OF OUR SAVIOUR IN GALILEE

Scripture reading: Matthew 14:1-23. Memory verse: Matthew 14:23.

1. Why did Herod cast John into prison? What restrained him from taking the life of John, and what did Herodias want done? Matthew 14:3-5.

Note. His proof of being the one who would restore the Kingdom to Israel was not by a demonstration of overthrowing kingdoms by the might of armies forces, and devices of death; but through speaking to the hearts of men and women, of mercy and love, by healing

25:21, 23.

12. What was the action, and the reward of the servant who received but one talent? Matthew 25:18, 24, 25, 26.

Note. Millions today profess to be servants of the Master, but their whole life is buried up in land, property, bonds, money, cattle and stocks. Not even the tenth which He requires is used for His glory. These are slothful and unprofitable servants. Like the foolish virgins, and the servants who say: "He delays His coming", they are to be cast away.

13. What does the Master say about the unprofitable servants when He comes to reckon with them? Matthew 25:29, 30.

Lesson for November 13, 2021 PROFITABLE SERVANTS, LABOURERS TOGETHER

Scripture reading: John 15:1-5. Memory verse: John 15:5.

- 1. What did Jesus call those whom He called to work in His vineyard? Matthew 4:19.
- 2. Did the Apostles have much success without the Saviour? John 21:3-5.
- 3. What did Jesus tell His disciples to do? Did they have success? John 21:6.
- 4. Is it possible for missionaries to have any

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11. Does the Lord want our worship in our offerings to be done with a pure heart? Matt. 5:23-24.

Note. Giving our tithes and offerings is one part of our worship to God which is essential as all others; thanksgiving, prayer, and praise.

Lesson for December 11, 2021
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THE JOY OF SERVICE AND THE REWARD

Scripture: Rev. 21st chapter Memory verse: Rev. 21: 27.

- 1. Do we, as laborers of God, receive a portion of our reward in this life? Mark 10:28-30.
- 2. Will every man be rewarded exactly according to the part he had in the work? 1 Cor. 3:8; John 4:36, 37.
- 3. Will even the smallest act, if done for our Saviour be rewarded? Mark 9:41.
- 4. Will not one of the greatest sources of our joy be in seeing those for whom we have labored, saved in the kingdom of God? Phil. 4:1; 1 Thess. 2:19, 20.
- 5. What promise does the Lord give us that in sowing His word there will be good accomplished? Isaiah 55:10, 11.
- 6. How much does Christ promise His laborers Matt 20:7-10.

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